

# Deep Learning and Inverse Problems in Geoscience

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## Introduction to Deep Learning

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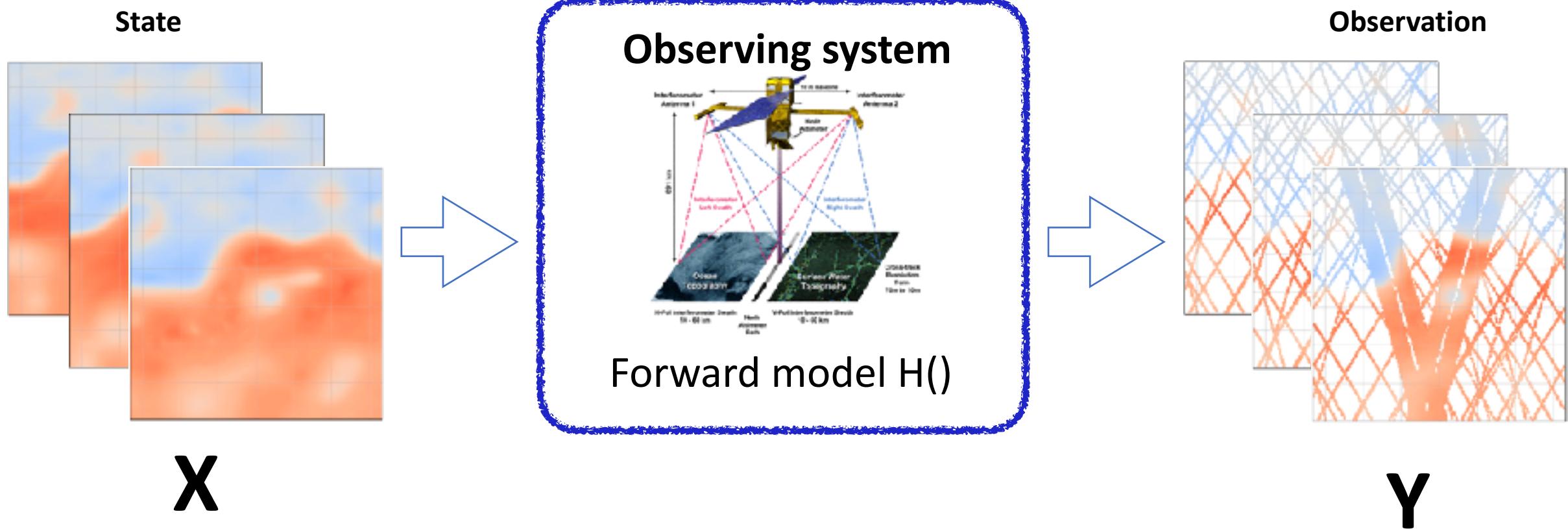
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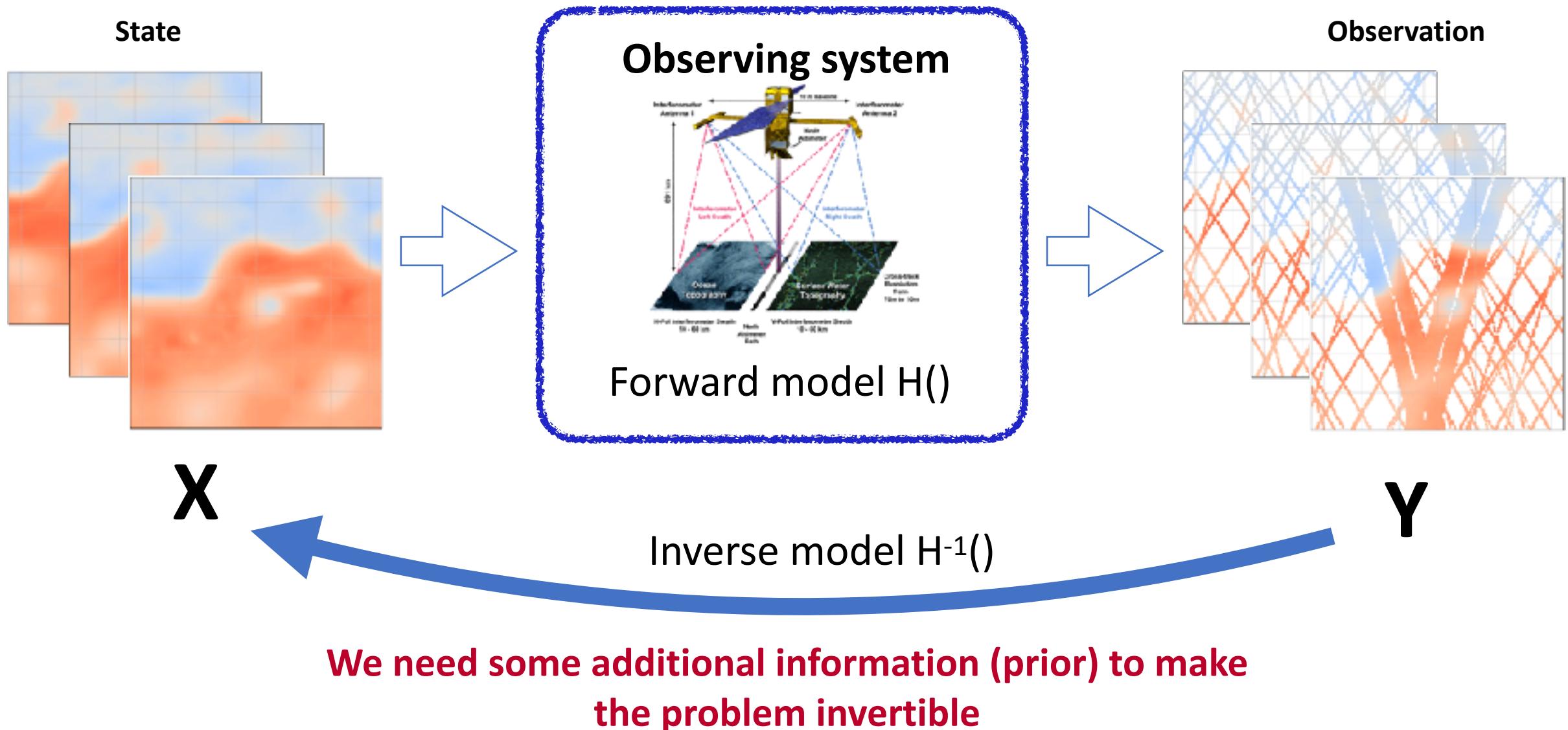
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# Inverse Problems in Geoscience: Generic formulation

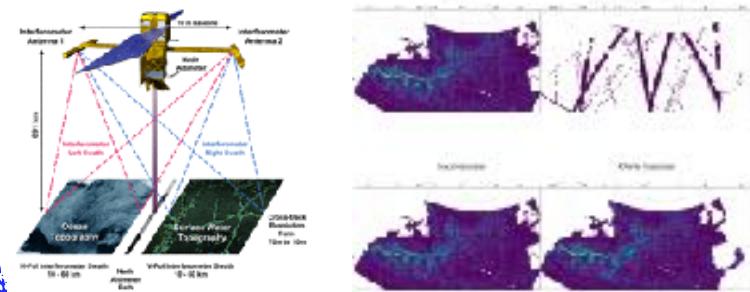


# Inverse Problems and ill-posedness

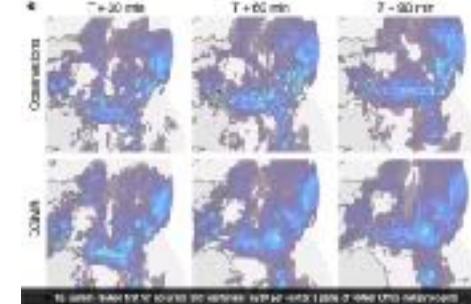


# Inverse Problems in Geoscience: some examples

## Interpolation

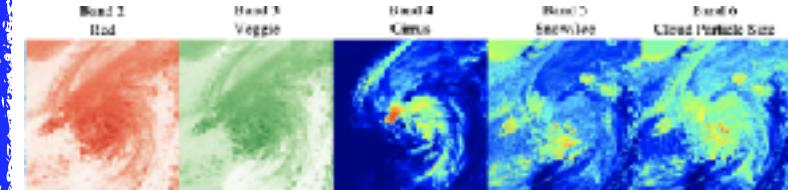


## Obs.-driven Forecasting



Deepmind

## Multimodal fusion



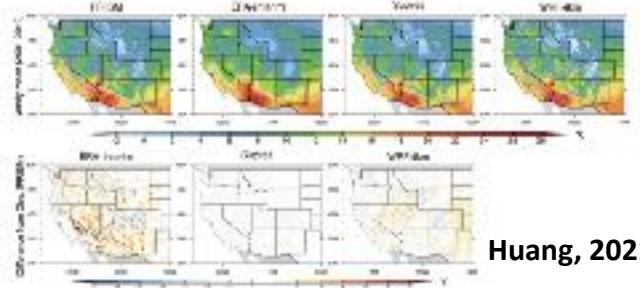
Vandal et al.

## Deconvolution



Carasso et al.

## Downscaling



Huang, 2021

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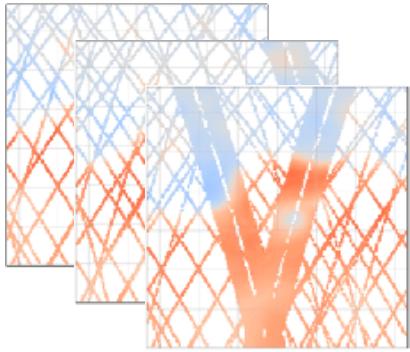
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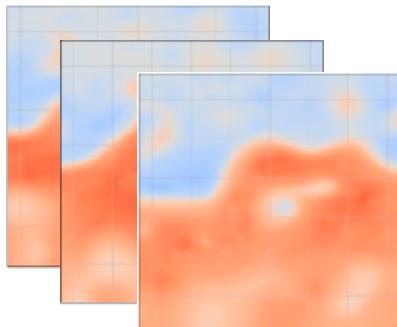
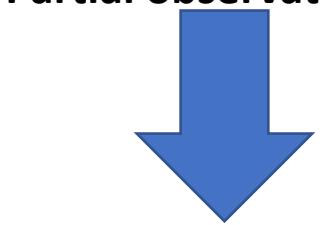
**Inverse problems as learning problems**

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# (Variational) Data Assimilation: (Weak-Constraint) 4DVar DA



Partial observations  $y$



True states  $x$

**State-space formulation:**

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial x(t)}{\partial t} = \mathcal{M}(x(t)) + \eta(t) \\ y(t, p) = x(t, p) \quad \forall t, \forall p \in \Omega_t \end{cases}$$

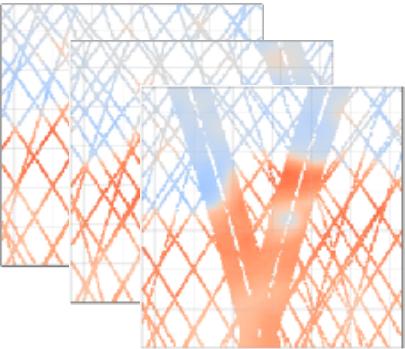
**Associated variational formulation:**

$$\arg \min_x \lambda_1 \sum_i \|x(t_i) - y(t_i)\|_{\Omega_{t_i}}^2 + \lambda_2 \sum \|x(t_i) - \Phi(x)(t_i)\|^2$$

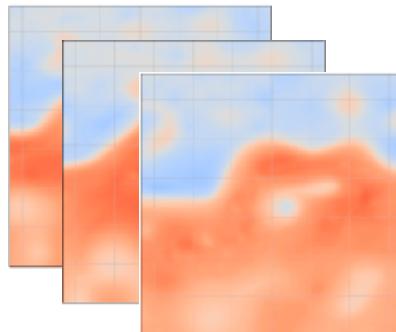
with  $\Phi(x)(t) = x(t - \Delta) + \int_{t-\Delta}^t \mathcal{M}(x(u)) du$

$$\boxed{\arg \min_x \lambda_1 \|x - y\|_{\Omega}^2 + \lambda_2 \|x - \Phi(x)\|^2}$$

# Inverse problems stated as minimisation problems



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**Minimization problem**

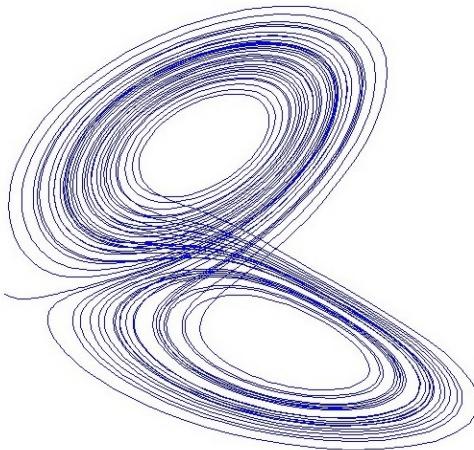
$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \underbrace{\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}\|_{\Omega}^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{x} - \Phi(\mathbf{x})\|^2}_{U(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}$$

**How to solve the minimization ?**

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} X^{(0)} & = & X_0 \\ \\ X^{(k+1)} & = & X^{(k)} - \alpha \nabla_X U(X^{(k)}, Y) \end{array} \right.$$

**Can we use Pytorch to implement the minimization ?**

# (Variational) Data Assimilation: (Weak-Constraint) 4DVar DA



## Minimization problem

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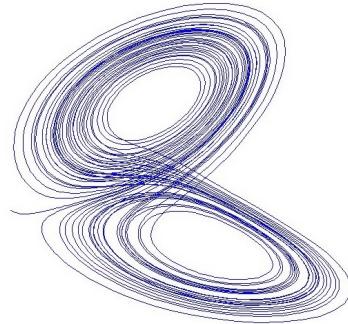
Lorenz-63 equations

# (Variational) Data Assimilation: (Weak-Constraint) 4DVar DA

Numerical integration scheme as residual neural networks (eg, Fablet et al., 2018)

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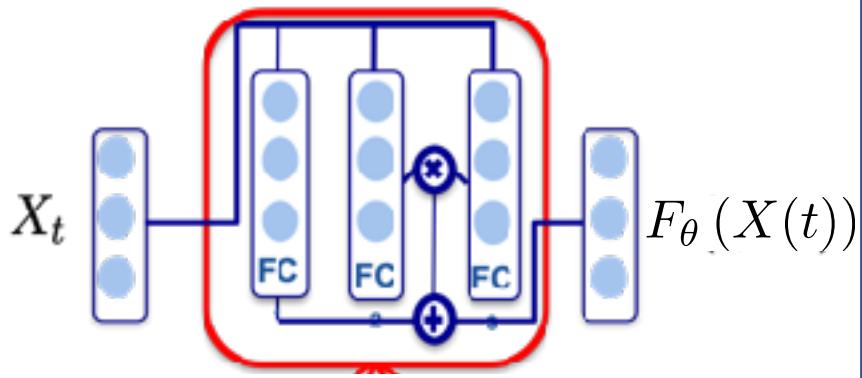
*Associated Euler integration scheme*

$$d_t X(t) = F_\theta(X(t))$$



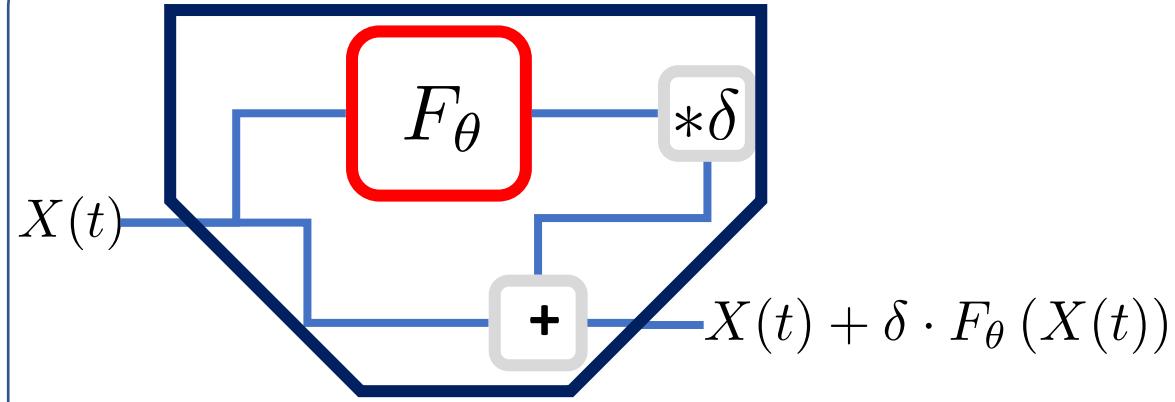
$$X(t + \delta) = X(t) + \delta \cdot F_\theta(X(t))$$

NN architecture for differential operator



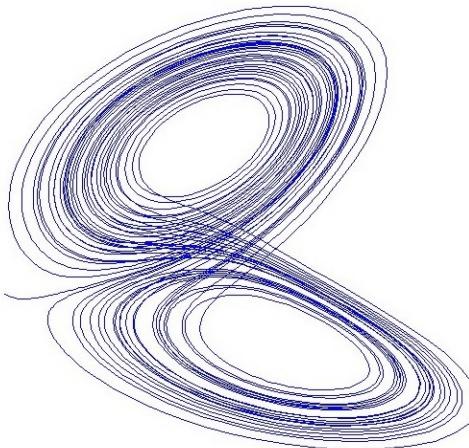
Bilinear architecture

NN architecture for integration scheme



ResNet architecture (Residual Network)

# (Variational) Data Assimilation: (Weak-Constraint) 4DVar DA



## Minimization problem

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**Let's try to implement this minimisation with Pytorch.**

[https://github.com/CIA-Oceanix/DLCourse\\_MOI\\_2022/blob/main/notebooks/notebook\\_Pytorch\\_Weak4DVar\\_L63.ipynb](https://github.com/CIA-Oceanix/DLCourse_MOI_2022/blob/main/notebooks/notebook_Pytorch_Weak4DVar_L63.ipynb)

# Key message for (variational) Model-based Methods

- *Solution stated as the minimisation of a variational cost*
- *Explicit knowledge of observation model and prior*
- *Implementation of associated minimisation algorithm*
- *Analytical derivation of gradient operator* (e.g., Euler-Lagrange equations, Adjoint Methods)
- *Implementation using DL schemes* (eg, Pytorch) *do not require the analytical gradient operator*

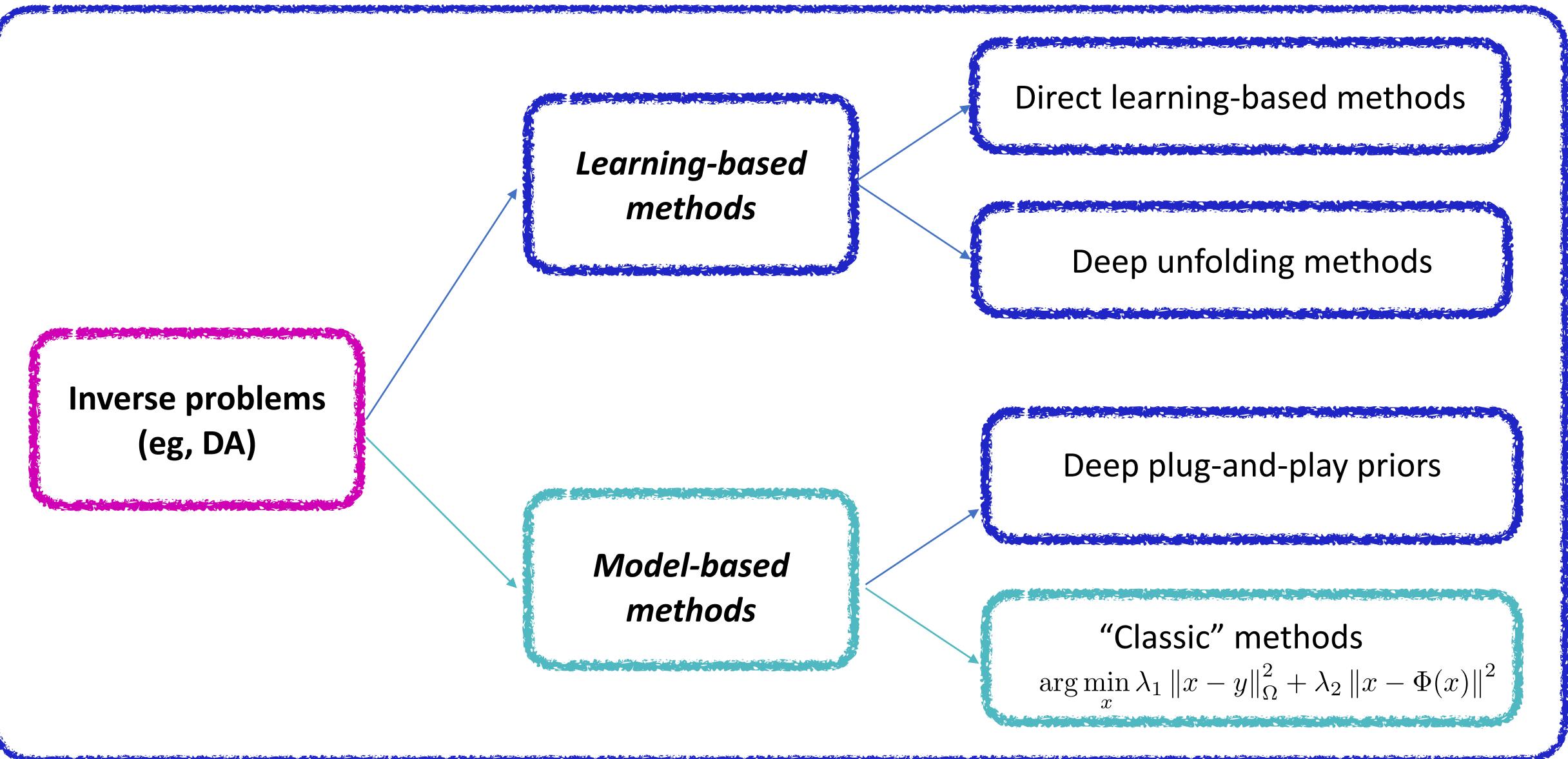
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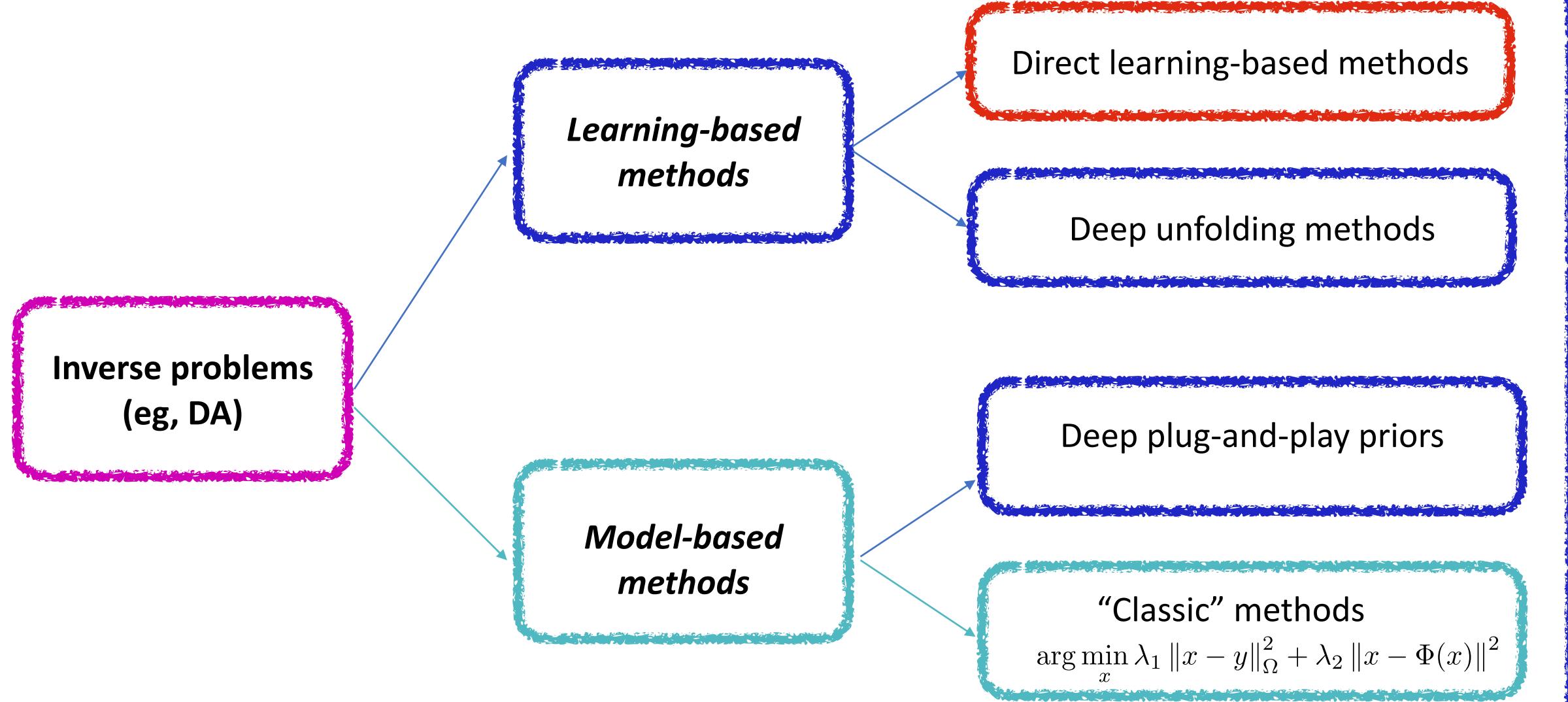
**Inverse problems & Deep learning**

Applications to geophysical dynamics

# Model-driven vs. Learning-based approaches

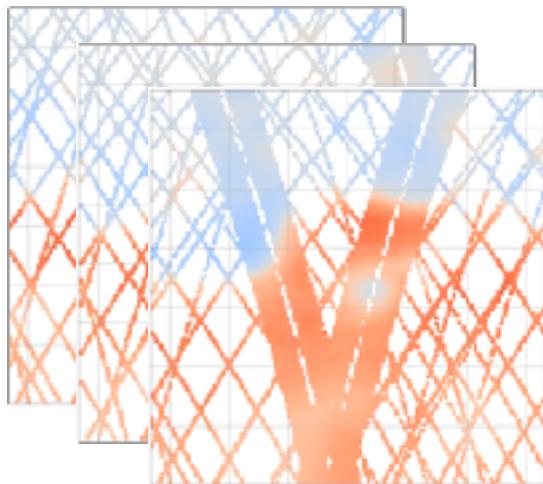


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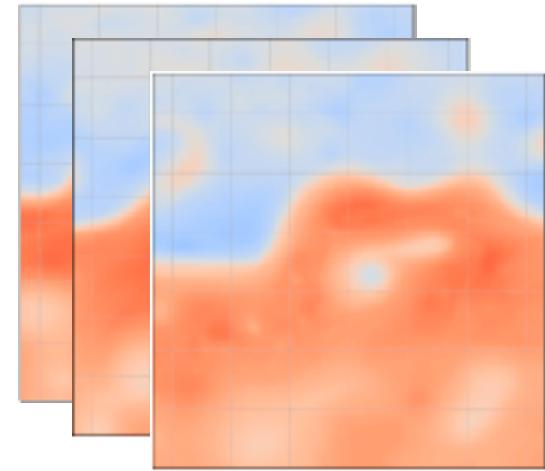
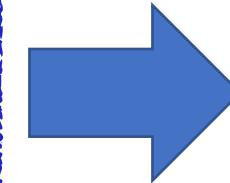
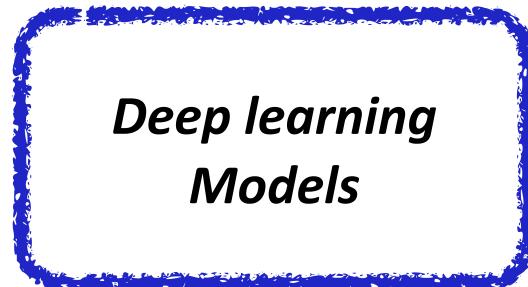
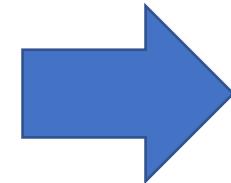


# End-to-end learning for inverse problems

## End-to-end architecture



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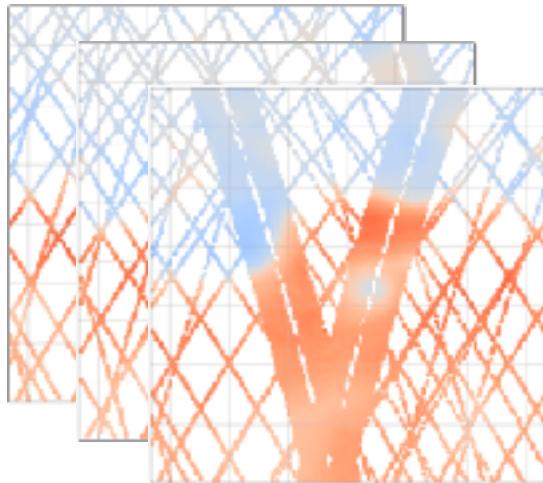
True states  $x$

Which training loss ?

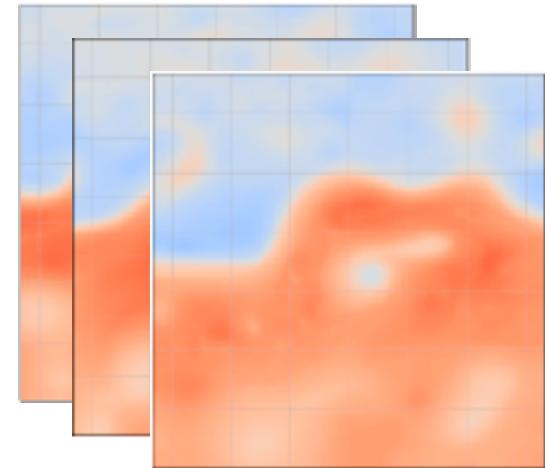
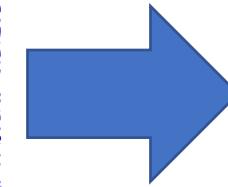
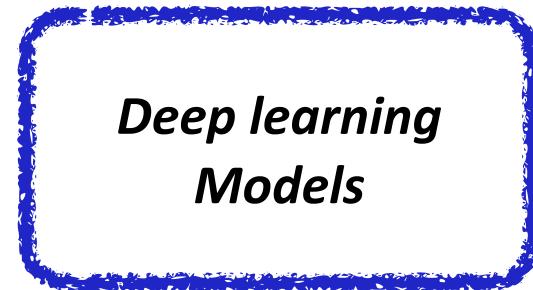
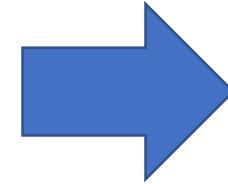
Which models / architectures ?

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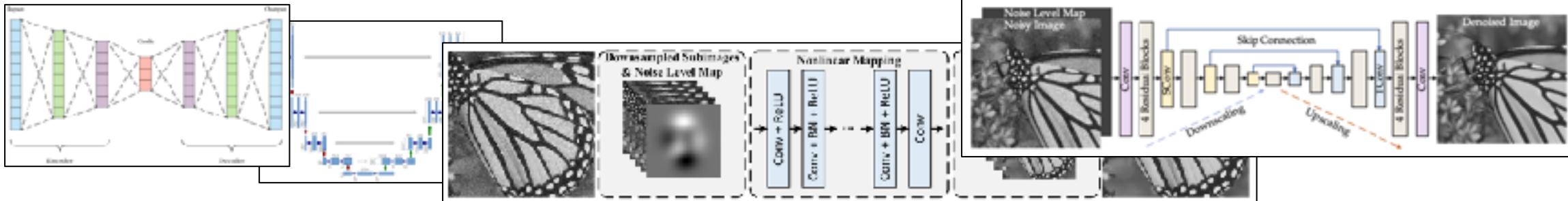


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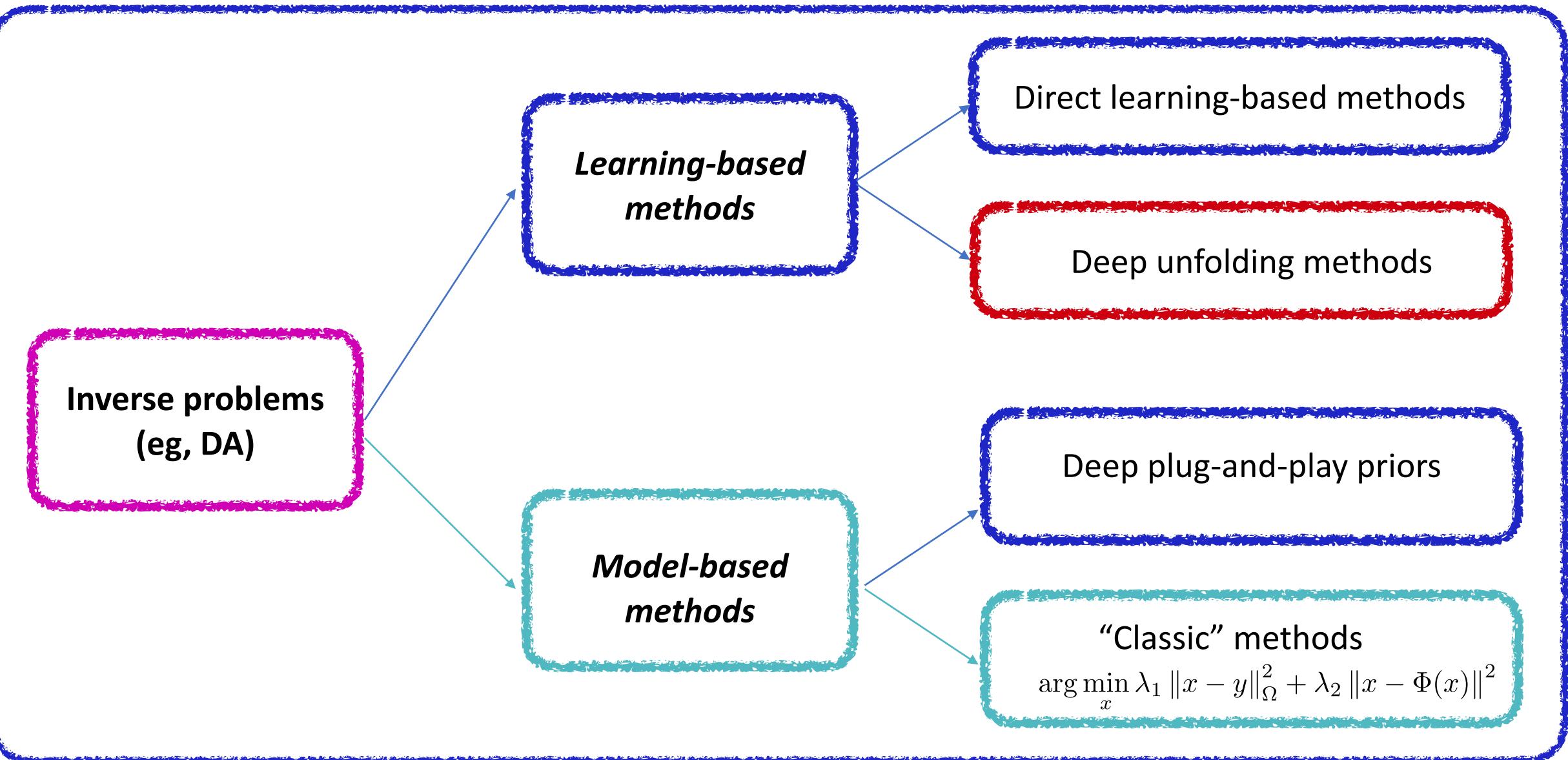


True states  $x$

Which architectures? State-of-the-art CNN architectures?



# Model-driven vs. Learning-based approaches



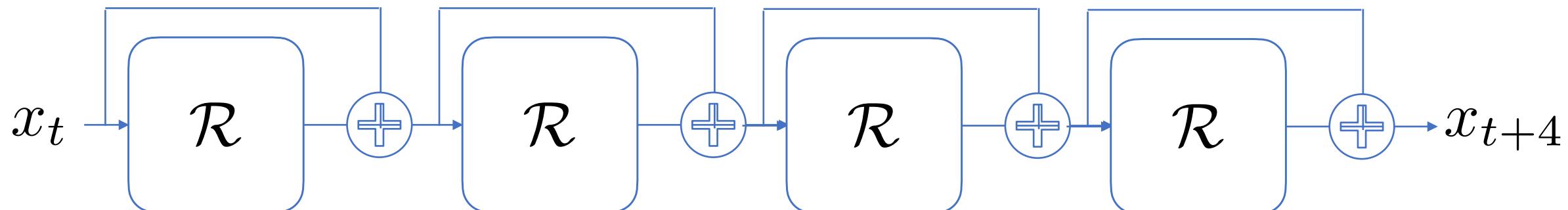
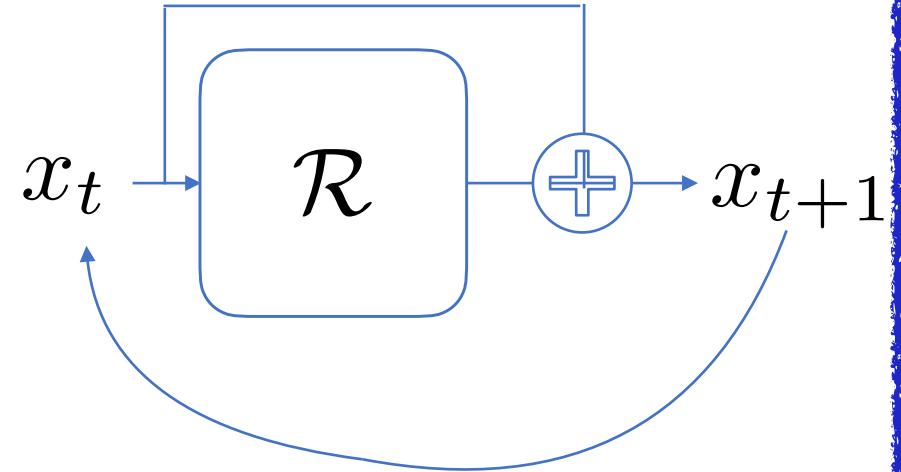
# Folded vs. Unfolded Representations

An example with a ResNet

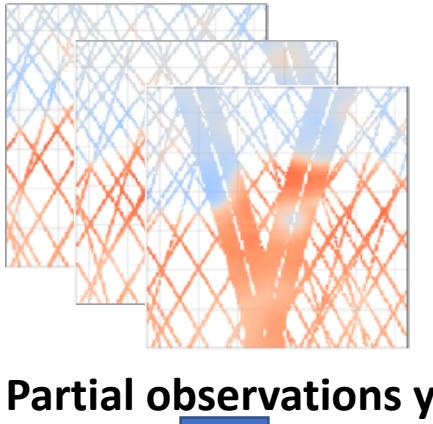
$$x_{t+1} = x_t + \mathcal{R}(x_t)$$

Unfolded  
Representation

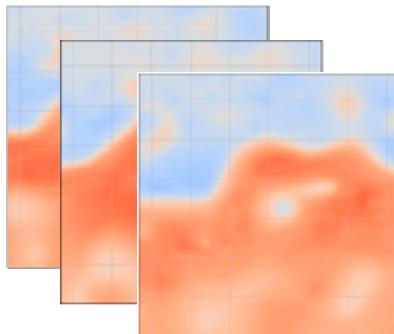
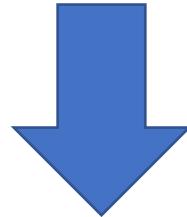
Folded  
Representation



# Inverse problems using Deep unfolding schemes



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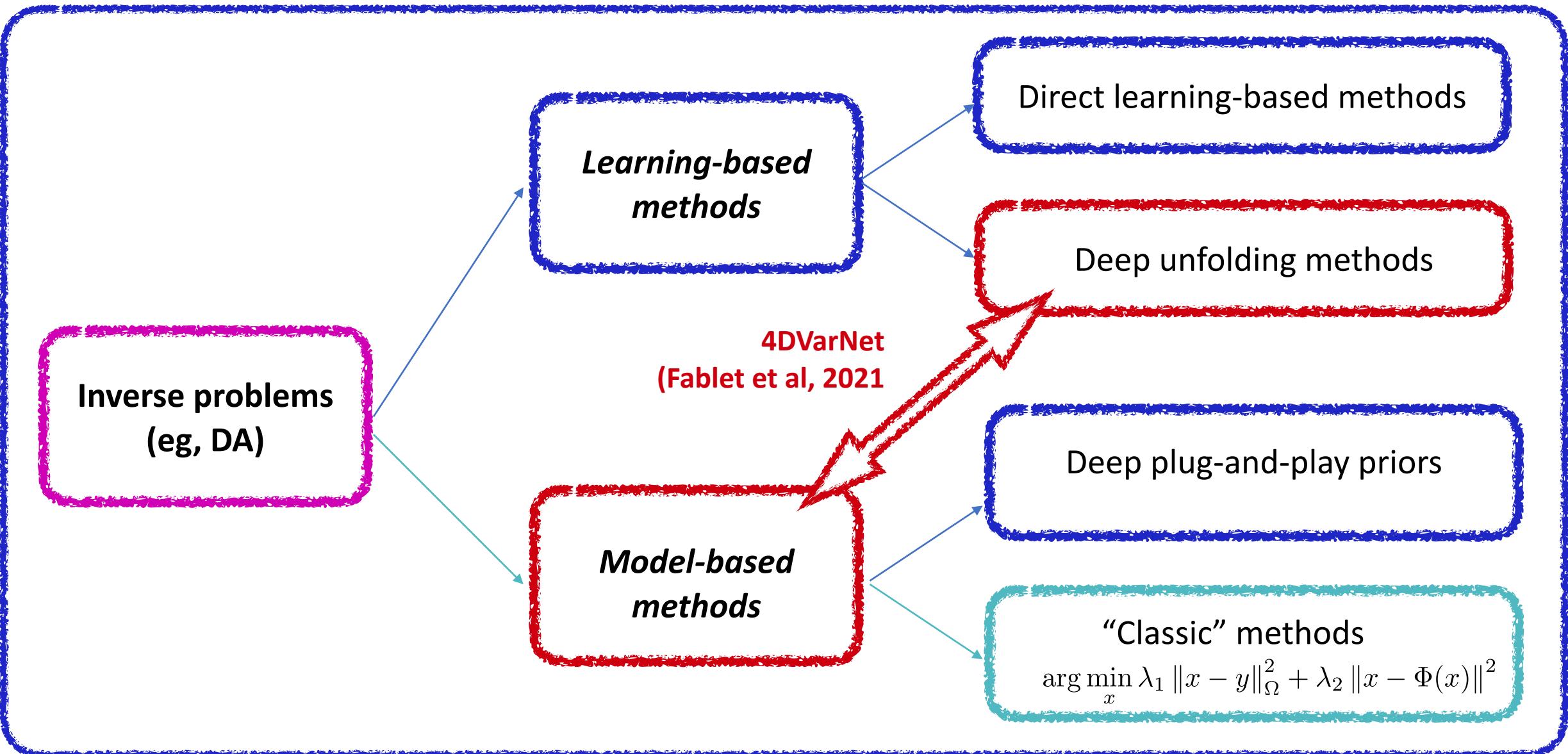
**Basic idea: exploit knowledge on optimisation algorithms for inverse problems**

- Many schemes involve iterative algorithms
- One may unfold an iterative procedure to define a deep learning architecture

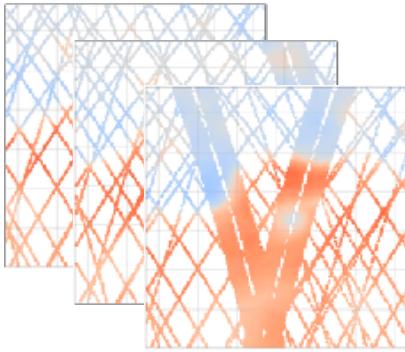
## Examples

- Image denoising/Unfolding of reaction-diffusion schemes (e.g., Chen et al., 2015)
- Medical imaging/Unfolding of ADMM schemes (e.g., Yang et al., 2016)
- Interpolation/Unfolding of fixed-point algorithms (e.g., Fablet et al., 2020)
- DA/Deep unfolding of sequential DA algorithms (e.g., Boudier et al., 2020)

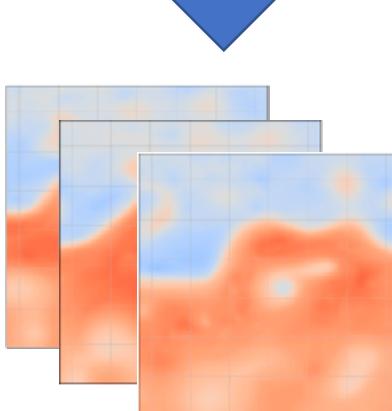
# Model-driven vs. Learning-based approaches



# Inverse problems: Unfolding 4DVar DA



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Gradient-based solver (adjoint/Euler-Lagrange method):

$$\arg \min_x \underbrace{\lambda_1 \|x - y\|_{\Omega}^2 + \lambda_2 \|x - \Phi(x)\|^2}_{U_{\Phi}(x, y, \Omega)}$$

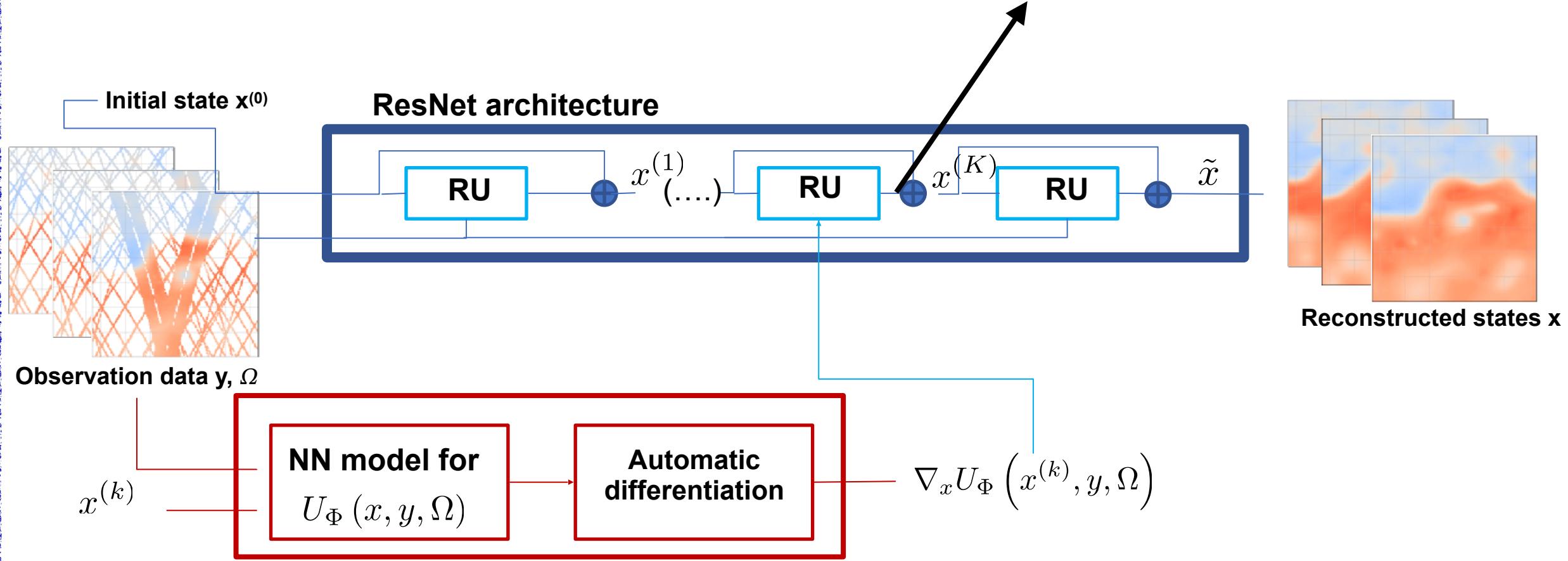
Iterative update:

$$x^{(k+1)} = x^{(k)} - \alpha \nabla_x U_{\Phi} \left( x^{(k)}, y, \Omega \right)$$

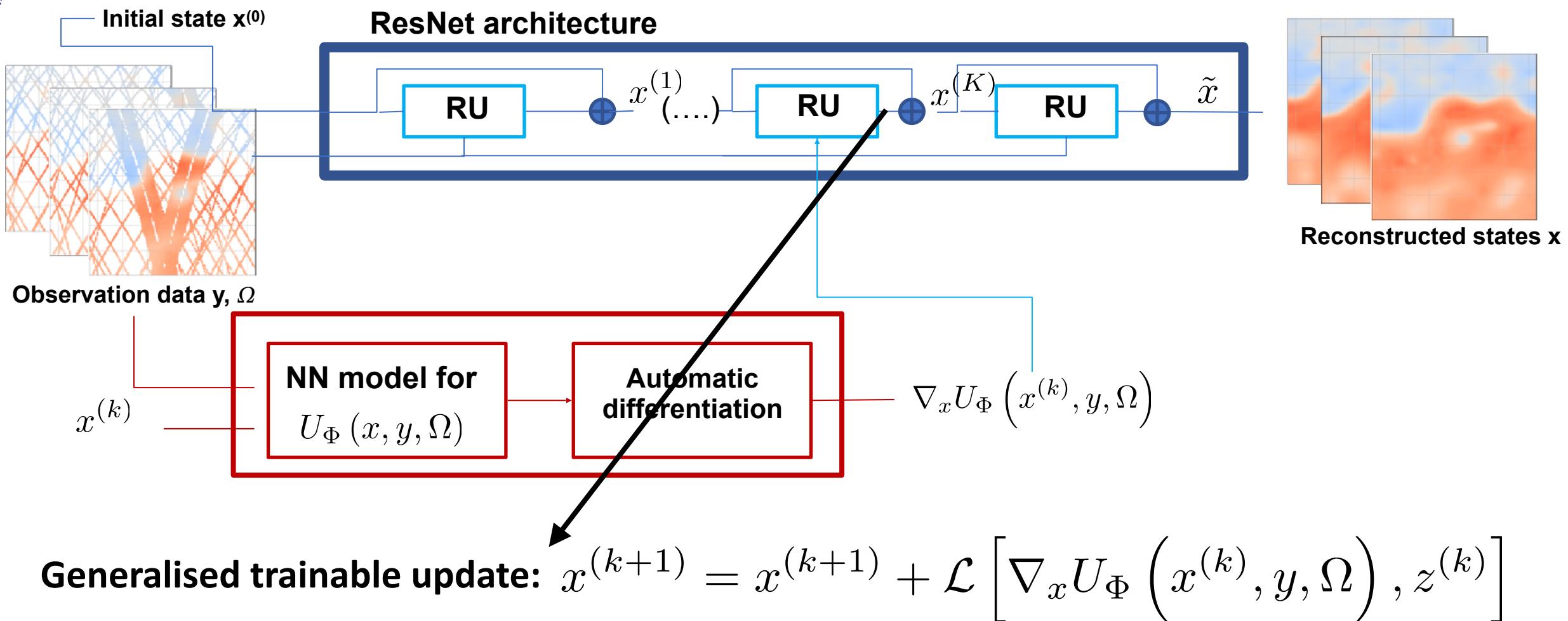
Associated residual architecture ?

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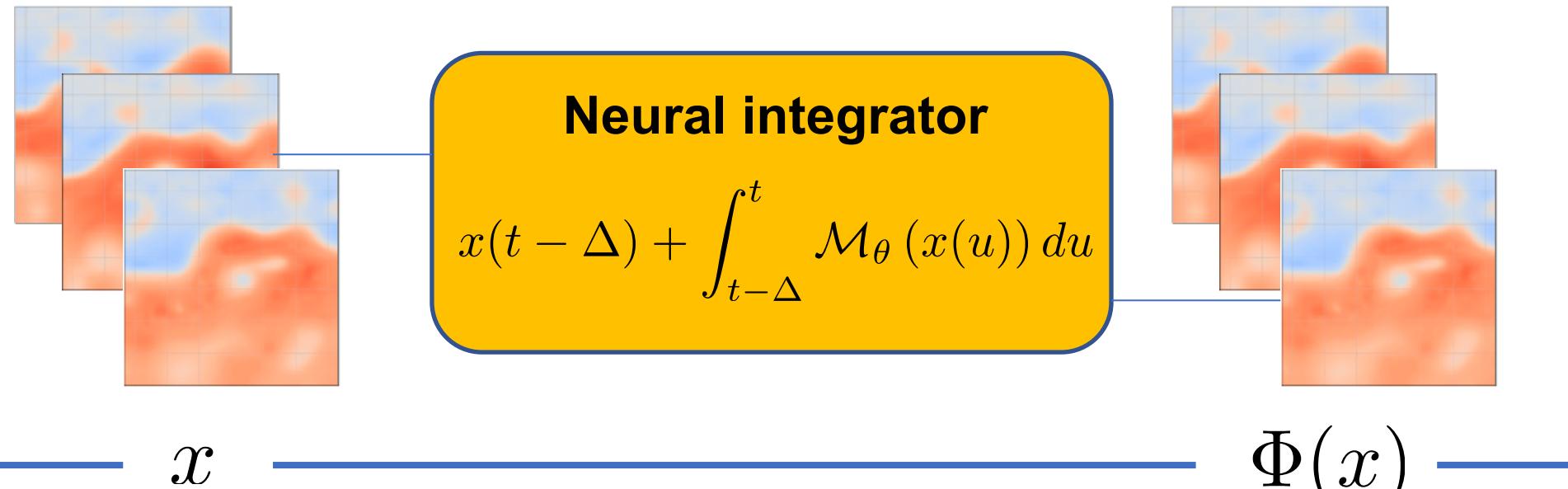
# Inverse problems: Unfolding 4DVar DA and Meta-learning



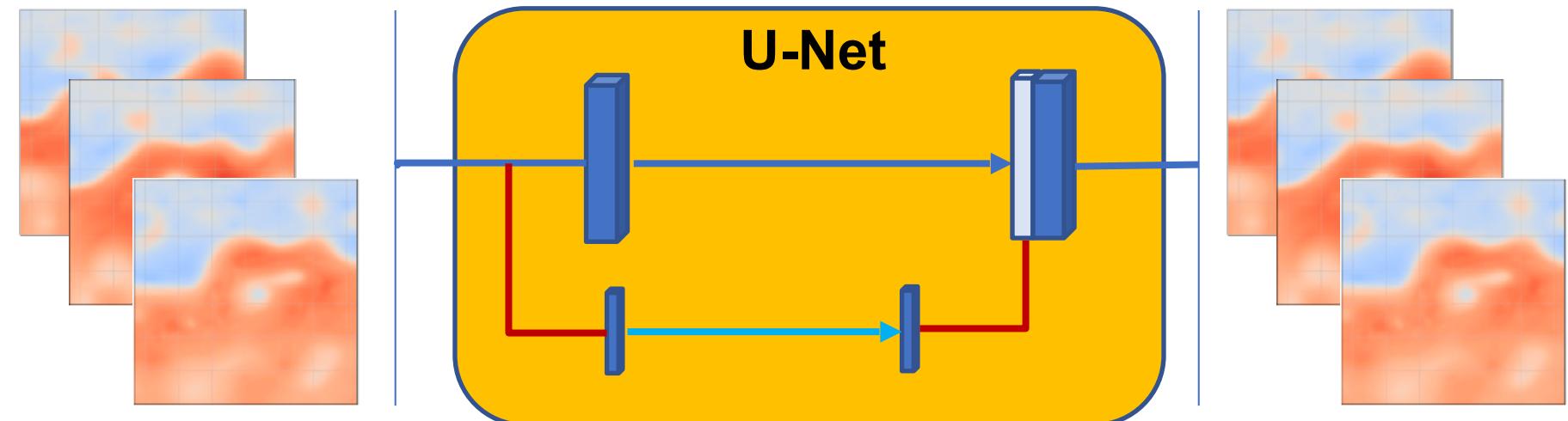
Similar to learning-to-learn idea (Andrychowicz et al., 2016) (cf. Lecture #2, L. Drumetz)

# End-to-end learning for 4DVar DA: projection operator $\Phi$

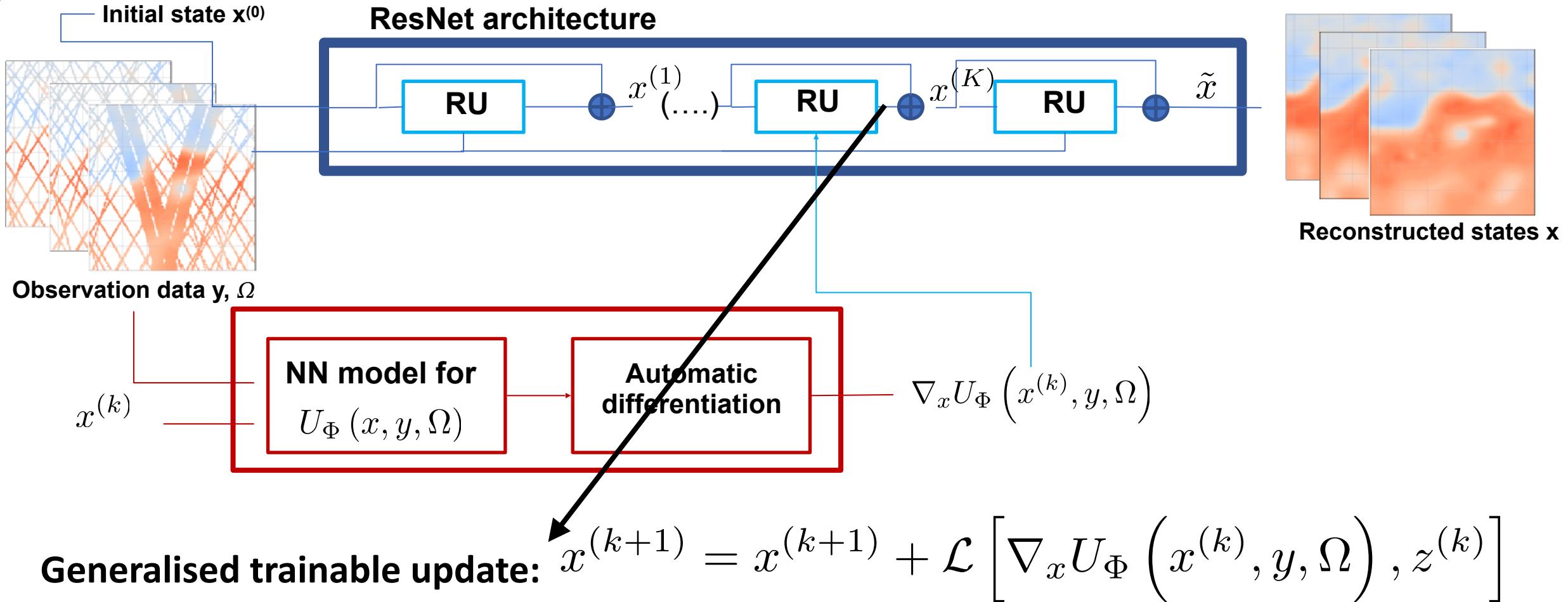
Parameterization using (learnable) ODE operator

$$\frac{\partial x(t)}{\partial t} = \mathcal{M}_\theta(x(t))$$


Two-scale U-Net-like Parameterization (Gibbs Field)



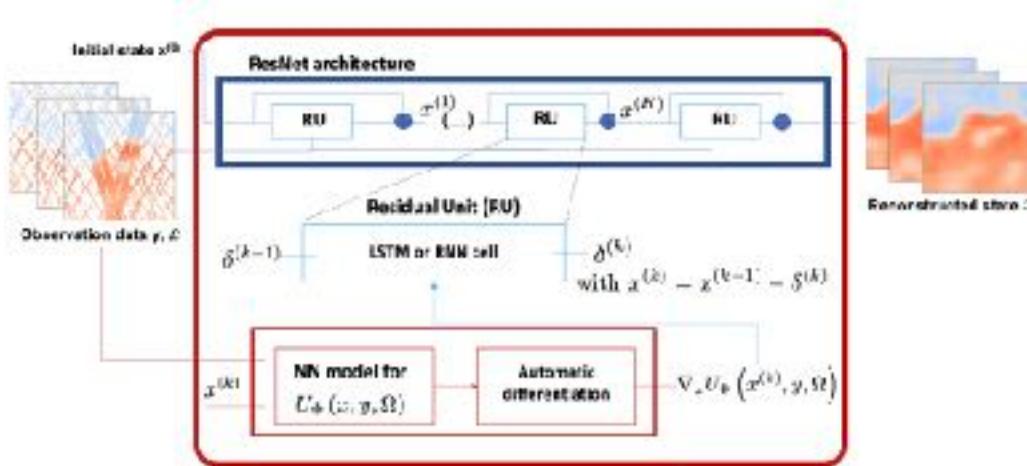
# Meta-learning: optimiser learning



Colab notebook:

[https://github.com/CIA-Oceanix/DLGD2021/edit/main/lecture-5-inverse-problems/notebookPyTorch\\_InvProb\\_LearningBased\\_4DVarNet\\_L63.ipynb](https://github.com/CIA-Oceanix/DLGD2021/edit/main/lecture-5-inverse-problems/notebookPyTorch_InvProb_LearningBased_4DVarNet_L63.ipynb)

# Model-based vs. Learning-based 4DVar DA: Unsupervised vs. Supervised scheme



Which training loss for 4DVarNet scheme ?

Unsupervised loss

$$\mathcal{L}(x, y) = \|x - y\|^2 + \lambda \|x - \Phi(x)\|^2$$

Supervised loss

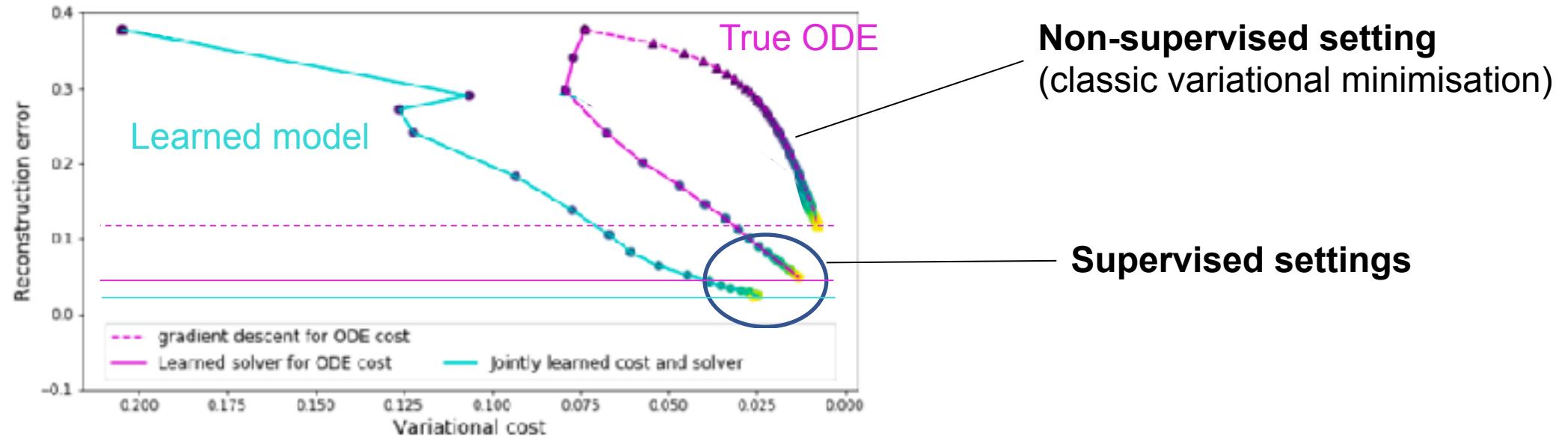
$$\mathcal{L}(x, x^{true}) = \|x - x^{true}\|^2$$

Regularisation loss

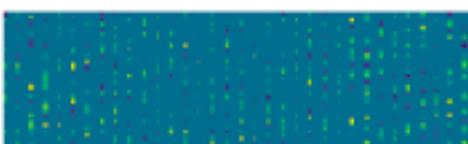
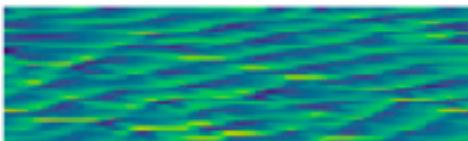
$$\mathcal{L}_{Reg}(x, x^{true}) = \|x - \Phi(x)\|^2 + \|x^{true} - \Phi(x^{true})\|^2$$

# End-to-end learning for inverse problems (Fablet et al., 2020)

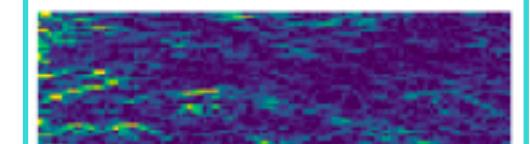
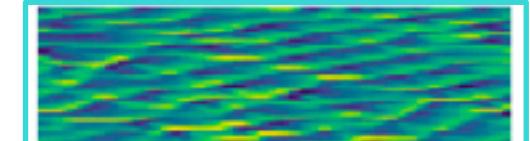
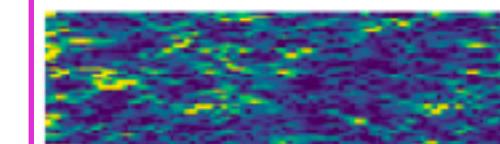
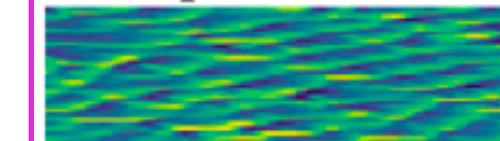
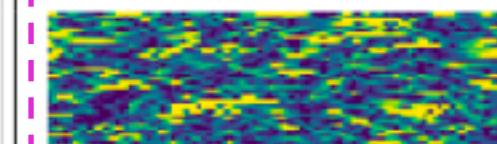
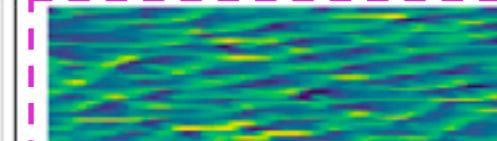
Illustration on Lorenz-96 dynamics (Bilinear ODE)



True and observed states



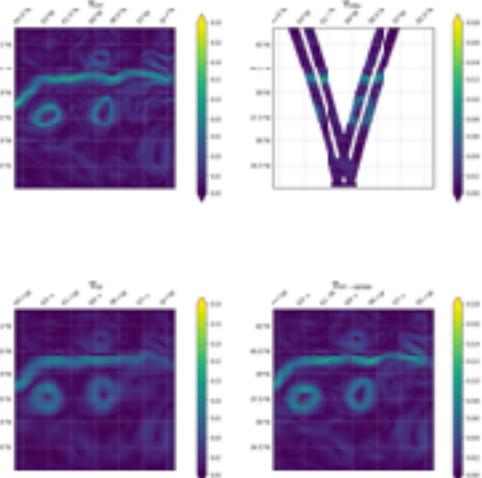
Reconstruction examples and associated error maps



# Applications to sea surface dynamics

# Space-time interpolation of sea surface geophysical fields

## Satellite altimetry



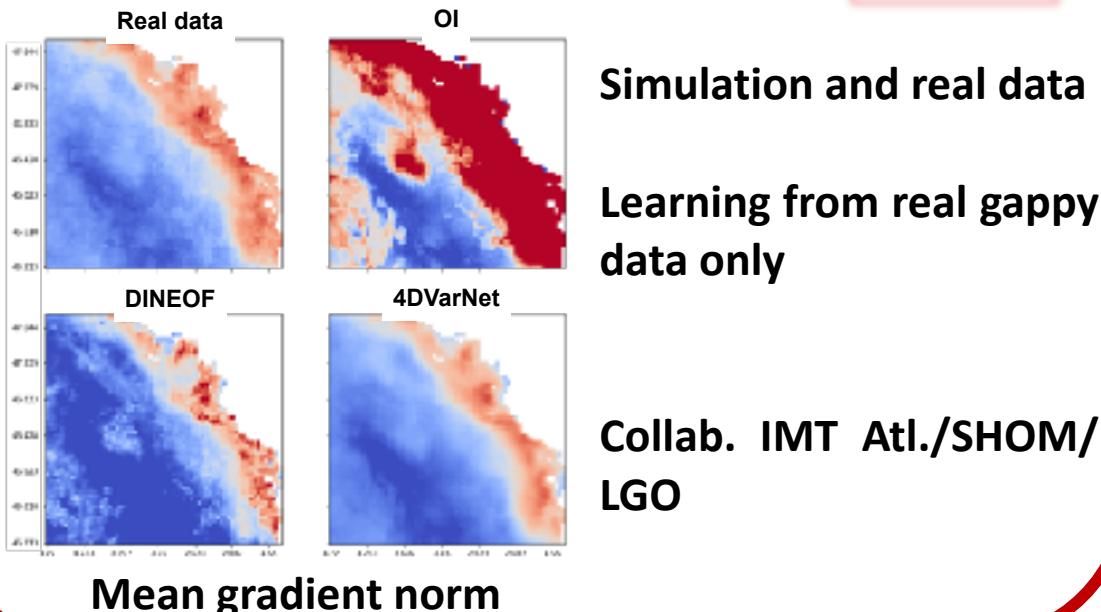
### Best score for BOOST-SWOT SLA Data Challenge

meas 1 swot + 4 nadir	0.62	0.12	1.32	11.16	Covariance DINEOF	eval_dineof.pyab
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tymos 1 swot + 4 nadir	0.93	0.12	1.2	11.07	Dynamic mapping	eval_tymos.pyab
meas 1 swot + 4 nadir	0.94	0.01	1.18	10.14	Multiscale mapping	eval_meas.pyab
4DVarNet 1 swot + 4 nadir	0.96	0.01	0.82	6.67	4DVarNet mapping	eval_4dvarnet.pyab

[https://github.com/ocean-data-challenges/2020a\\_SSH\\_mapping\\_NATL60](https://github.com/ocean-data-challenges/2020a_SSH_mapping_NATL60)

## Sea surface suspended sediments

Metric	Dataset	Unit	Samp. Strat	OI	DinEOF	4DVarNet
RMSE	OSSE	$\log_{10}[\text{g/L}]/\text{m}$	-	0.176	0.167	0.104
	MODIS	$\log_{10}[\text{g/L}]/\text{m}$	Random	0.304	0.237	0.156
	MODIS	$\log_{10}[\text{g/L}]/\text{m}$	Patch	0.346	0.253	0.168
R-score	OSSE	%	-	90.4	91.3	96.6
	MODIS	%	Random	60.5	76.4	89.5
	MODIS	%	Patch	56.5	73.8	87.3



Simulation and real data

Learning from real gappy data only

Collab. IMT Atl./SHOM/LGO

Mean gradient norm

**Thank you.**

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